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THAT I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application Number	Country	Foreign Filing Date	Priority Claimed?	Certified Copy Attached?
P 2004-104820	Japan	03/31/2004	yes	no

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I HEREBY APPOINT the registered attorneys and agents at Customer Number 22428

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I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT the foregoing attorneys and agents appointed by me to prosecute this application do not personally represent me or my legal interests, but instead represent the interests of the legal owner(s) of the invention described in this application.

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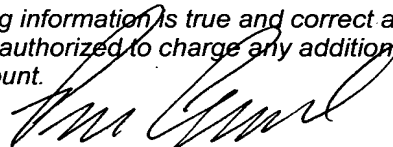
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(hereinafter ASSIGNEE) all right, title and interest for the United States, its territories and possessions in and to this invention relating to

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